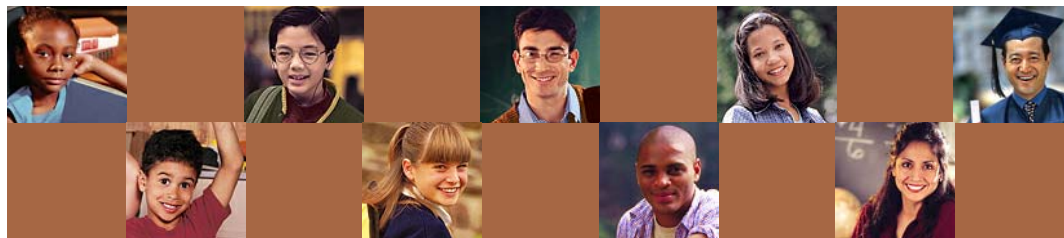


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INDICATOR 23

Educational Attainment

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Completions

Educational Attainment

The percentages of 25- to 29-year-olds who have completed high school, some college, or a bachelor's degree or higher have increased since 1971, but racial/ethnic differences in levels of educational attainment remain.

In 2003, some 87 percent of all 25- to 29-year-olds had received a high school diploma or equivalency certificate, and many of these young adults had received additional education. Although this percentage represents an increase since 1971, the high school completion rate has been at least 85 percent since 1976.

In 1971, Blacks were considerably less likely than Whites to have completed high school (59 vs. 82 percent) (see supplemental table 23-1). Although Blacks have narrowed the gap, their high school completion rate was still below that of Whites in 2003 (88 vs. 94 percent). The high school completion rate for Hispanics also increased between 1971 and 2003 (from 48 to 62 percent), but Hispanics, unlike Blacks, have not made measurable progress in closing the gap with Whites.

Overall, the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed at least some college increased from 34 to 57 percent between 1971 and 2003 (see supplemental table 23-2). However, increases were not even throughout the entire period. The completion rate increased during

the 1970s, leveled off during the 1980s, increased in the early and mid-1990s, and has leveled off since then. The overall upward trend reflects the overall pattern of change in the propensity of high school graduates to enroll in college immediately after completing high school (*indicator 20*).

The percentage completing some college increased between 1971 and 2003 for each racial/ethnic group, but less for Hispanics than for Whites or Blacks. In 2003, 57 percent of all 25- to 29-year-olds had completed some college, with Whites (66 percent) more likely than Blacks (51 percent) or Hispanics (31 percent) to have done so.

Twenty-eight percent of 25- to 29-year-olds had at least a bachelor's degree in 2003, up from 17 percent in 1971 (see supplemental table 23-3). In general, the rate for completing a bachelor's degree or higher was roughly half the rate for completing some college. Although the percentage with a bachelor's degree or higher increased for all three racial/ethnic groups, the gap between Whites and Blacks and between Whites and Hispanics widened over time.

¹ Included in the totals but not shown separately are other racial/ethnic categories.

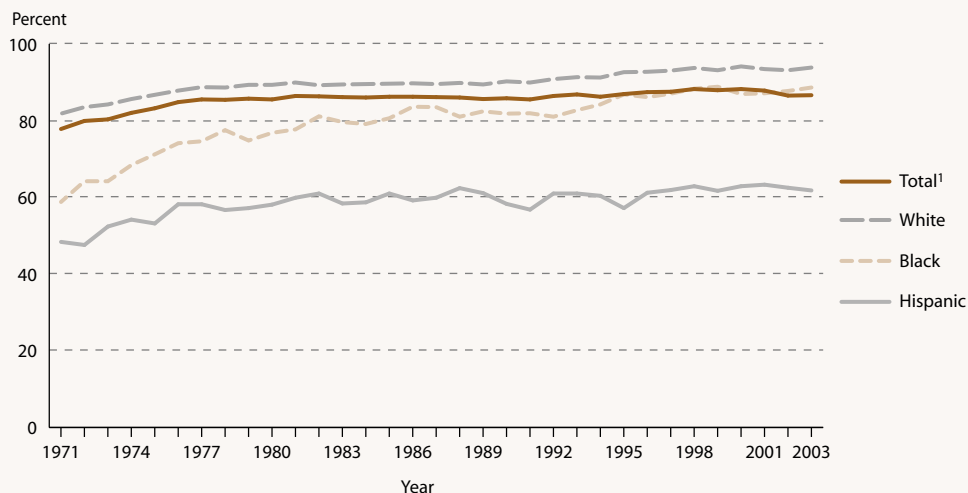
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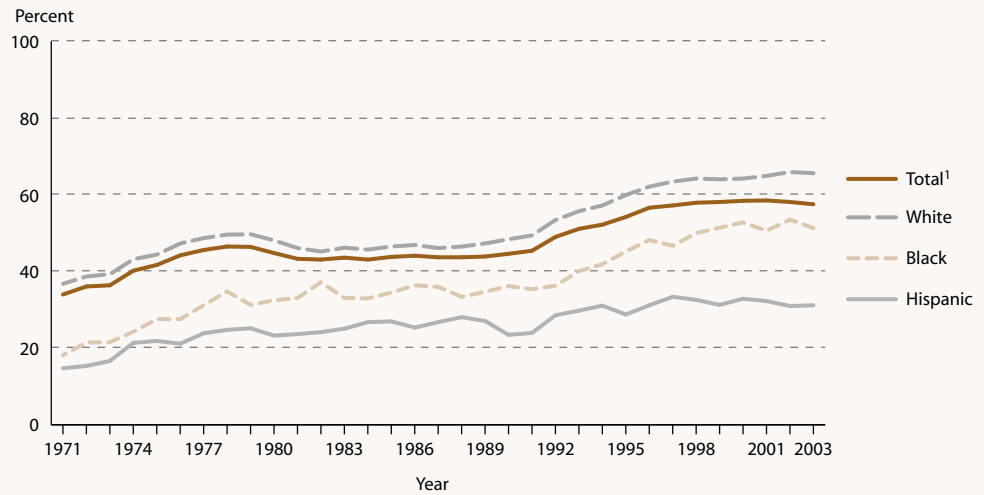
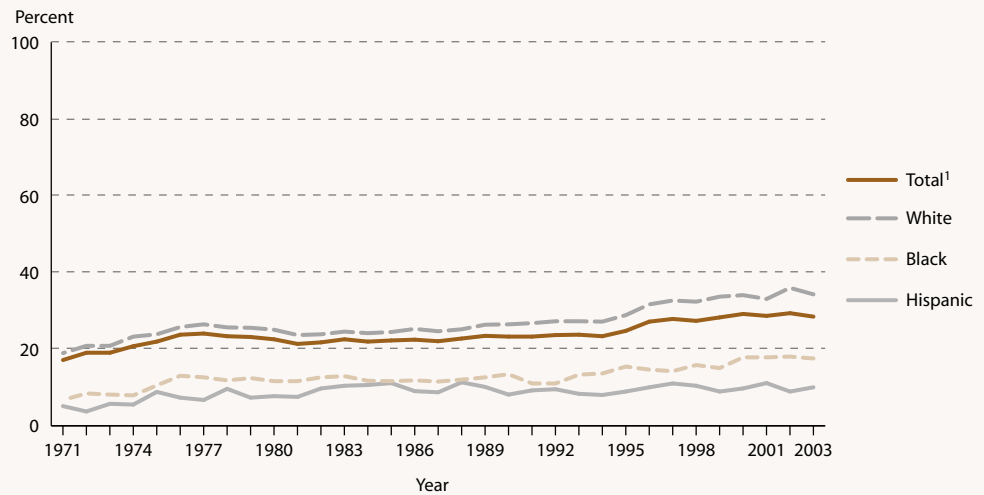
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HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETERS: Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed high school, by race/ethnicity: March 1971-2003




SOME COLLEGE: Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed at least some college, by race/ethnicity: March 1971–2003

BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER: Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed a bachelor's degree or higher, by race/ethnicity: March 1971–2003


¹ Included in the totals but not shown separately are other racial/ethnic categories.

NOTE: "High school completers" also includes those with higher levels of education, and "some college" also includes those with a bachelor's degree or higher. The questions about educational attainment were reworded in 1992. Before then, "high school completers" meant those who completed 12 years of schooling and "some college" meant 1 or more years; beginning in 1992, they meant those who received a high school diploma or equivalency certificate and any college at all, respectively. In 1994, the survey instrument for the Current Population Survey (CPS) was changed and weights were adjusted. See *supplemental note 2* for further discussion. Some estimates are revised from previous publications. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin unless specified.

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Table 23-1. Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed high school, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2003

Year	Total ¹			White			Black			Hispanic		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	77.7	79.0	76.5	81.7	83.0	80.5	58.7	56.7	60.5	48.3	51.4	45.8
1972	79.8	80.5	79.2	83.4	84.1	82.7	64.1	61.7	66.0	47.5	47.0	48.0
1973	80.2	80.6	79.8	84.1	84.2	83.9	64.1	63.2	64.9	52.3	54.2	50.6
1974	81.9	83.1	80.8	85.5	86.0	85.0	68.3	71.5	65.8	54.1	55.8	52.5
1975	83.1	84.5	81.8	86.6	88.0	85.2	71.1	72.3	70.1	53.1	52.2	53.9
1976	84.7	86.0	83.5	87.7	89.0	86.4	74.0	72.8	74.9	58.1	57.7	58.4
1977	85.4	86.6	84.2	88.6	89.2	88.0	74.5	77.5	72.0	58.1	61.9	54.6
1978	85.3	86.0	84.6	88.5	88.8	88.2	77.4	78.7	76.3	56.6	58.5	54.7
1979	85.6	86.3	84.9	89.2	89.8	88.5	74.7	73.9	75.3	57.1	55.5	58.5
1980	85.4	85.4	85.5	89.2	89.1	89.2	76.7	74.7	78.3	58.0	57.0	58.9
1981	86.3	86.5	86.1	89.8	89.7	89.9	77.6	78.8	76.6	59.8	59.1	60.4
1982	86.2	86.3	86.1	89.1	89.1	89.1	81.0	80.5	81.5	60.9	60.7	61.2
1983	86.0	86.0	86.0	89.3	89.3	89.3	79.5	79.0	79.9	58.3	57.8	58.9
1984	85.9	85.6	86.3	89.4	89.4	89.4	79.0	75.9	81.7	58.6	56.8	60.2
1985	86.1	85.9	86.4	89.5	89.2	89.9	80.5	80.6	80.5	60.9	58.6	63.1
1986	86.1	85.9	86.4	89.6	88.8	90.4	83.5	86.4	81.0	59.1	58.2	60.0
1987	86.0	85.5	86.4	89.4	88.9	90.0	83.4	84.5	82.5	59.8	58.6	61.0
1988	85.9	84.7	87.0	89.7	88.4	90.9	80.9	80.8	80.9	62.3	59.9	64.9
1989	85.5	84.4	86.5	89.3	88.2	90.4	82.3	80.5	83.8	61.0	61.0	61.0
1990	85.7	84.4	87.0	90.1	88.6	91.7	81.7	81.4	82.0	58.2	56.6	59.9
1991	85.4	84.9	85.8	89.8	89.2	90.4	81.8	83.6	80.1	56.7	56.4	57.1
1992	86.3	86.1	86.5	90.7	90.2	91.1	80.9	82.7	79.3	60.9	61.1	60.6
1993	86.7	86.0	87.4	91.2	90.6	91.8	82.6	84.8	80.8	60.9	58.3	64.0
1994	86.1	84.5	87.6	91.1	90.0	92.3	84.1	82.7	85.3	60.3	58.0	63.0
1995	86.8	86.3	87.4	92.5	92.0	93.0	86.7	88.4	85.3	57.1	55.7	58.7
1996	87.3	86.5	88.1	92.6	92.0	93.1	86.0	87.9	84.5	61.1	59.7	62.9
1997	87.4	85.8	88.9	92.9	91.7	94.0	86.9	85.8	87.8	61.8	59.2	64.9
1998	88.1	86.6	89.6	93.6	92.5	94.6	88.2	88.4	88.1	62.8	59.9	66.3
1999	87.8	86.1	89.5	93.0	91.9	94.1	88.7	88.2	89.2	61.6	57.4	66.0
2000	88.1	86.7	89.4	94.0	92.9	95.2	86.8	87.6	86.2	62.8	59.2	66.4
2001	87.7	86.9	88.6	93.3	93.0	93.6	87.0	87.5	86.7	63.2	59.4	67.2
2002	86.4	84.7	88.1	93.0	92.1	93.8	87.6	85.8	88.9	62.4	60.2	65.0
2003	86.5	84.9	88.2	93.7	92.8	94.5	88.5	87.4	89.4	61.7	59.6	64.2

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Educational Attainment

Table 23-2. Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed at least some college, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2003

Year	Total ¹			White			Black			Hispanic		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	33.9	38.5	29.4	36.7	41.7	31.8	18.1	16.5	19.5	14.7	19.7	10.5
1972	36.0	40.9	31.3	38.6	44.0	33.3	21.4	19.6	22.8	15.3	17.4	13.5
1973	36.3	41.4	31.4	39.2	44.6	33.7	21.5	21.2	21.8	16.6	21.4	12.4
1974	40.1	44.7	35.6	43.1	47.8	38.4	24.2	26.4	22.4	21.3	24.7	18.2
1975	41.6	47.4	36.0	44.3	50.4	38.3	27.5	29.7	25.8	21.8	26.3	17.6
1976	44.1	50.1	38.4	47.2	53.5	41.0	27.5	29.5	25.9	21.1	24.4	18.3
1977	45.5	50.3	40.8	48.6	53.4	43.7	31.1	34.3	28.5	23.8	26.5	21.5
1978	46.4	51.0	41.9	49.5	54.6	44.4	34.7	35.7	33.9	24.7	27.6	22.0
1979	46.3	49.8	42.9	49.6	53.3	45.9	31.2	30.2	32.0	25.1	28.2	22.3
1980	44.7	47.6	41.9	48.0	51.1	44.9	32.4	32.6	32.3	23.2	25.9	20.5
1981	43.2	45.6	40.9	46.0	48.5	43.5	33.0	33.9	32.3	23.6	24.6	22.7
1982	43.0	44.5	41.6	45.1	46.6	43.7	37.1	38.1	36.3	24.1	24.6	23.7
1983	43.5	44.8	42.2	46.1	47.7	44.4	33.0	33.2	32.9	25.0	23.8	26.3
1984	43.0	43.6	42.5	45.6	46.2	45.0	32.9	31.5	34.1	26.7	27.0	26.4
1985	43.7	44.2	43.3	46.4	46.8	46.0	34.4	34.2	34.5	26.9	26.9	27.0
1986	44.0	44.1	43.8	46.8	46.9	46.8	36.3	35.9	36.6	25.3	24.9	25.8
1987	43.6	43.1	44.0	46.0	45.7	46.2	35.9	32.4	38.8	26.7	27.1	26.2
1988	43.6	43.7	43.6	46.4	46.4	46.5	33.3	34.7	32.1	28.0	26.5	29.6
1989	43.8	43.9	43.7	47.2	47.1	47.2	34.6	34.0	35.1	27.0	27.3	26.7
1990	44.5	43.7	45.3	48.3	47.3	49.3	36.1	35.0	36.9	23.4	22.9	23.9
1991	45.3	44.4	46.2	49.3	48.8	49.9	35.3	32.0	38.2	23.9	23.1	24.8
1992	48.9	48.2	49.6	53.3	52.6	53.9	36.2	34.9	37.2	28.5	27.2	30.1
1993	51.0	49.5	52.5	55.6	54.7	56.6	40.0	37.0	42.5	29.7	26.9	33.1
1994	52.1	49.8	54.3	57.1	54.9	59.3	41.8	40.3	43.0	31.0	28.0	34.6
1995	54.1	52.3	55.8	59.8	57.5	62.1	45.1	45.3	44.8	28.7	26.7	30.9
1996	56.5	54.5	58.5	62.0	60.3	63.7	48.1	47.9	48.3	31.1	28.1	35.0
1997	57.1	54.9	59.4	63.3	61.3	65.3	46.6	43.0	49.6	33.3	30.7	36.4
1998	57.8	54.6	61.0	64.1	61.3	66.9	49.9	46.8	52.6	32.5	29.3	36.3
1999	58.0	54.7	61.3	63.9	60.7	67.0	51.3	45.9	55.5	31.2	27.4	35.0
2000	58.3	55.1	61.5	64.1	60.5	67.7	52.7	50.4	54.6	32.8	29.0	36.6
2001	58.4	54.4	62.5	64.8	60.5	69.1	50.5	46.7	53.6	32.2	28.2	36.4
2002	58.0	54.5	61.6	65.8	62.0	69.5	53.4	51.8	54.6	30.9	28.3	34.1
2003	57.4	53.8	61.1	65.5	61.9	69.2	51.2	49.6	52.5	31.1	27.9	34.9

¹ Included in the totals but not shown separately are other racial/ethnic categories.

NOTE: "Some college" also includes those with a bachelor's degree or higher. The Current Population Survey (CPS) questions used to obtain educational attainment were changed in 1992. Before then, "some college" meant those who completed 1 or more years of college; beginning in 1992, it meant those who completed any college at all. In 1994, the survey instrument for the CPS was changed and weights were adjusted. See *supplemental note 2* for further discussion. Some estimates are revised from previous publications. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin unless specified.

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Table 23-3. Percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed a bachelor's degree or higher, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2003

Year	Total ¹			White			Black			Hispanic		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	17.1	20.4	13.8	18.9	22.4	15.4	6.7	6.9	6.6	5.1	8.0	2.6
1972	19.0	22.0	16.0	20.8	24.1	17.5	8.4	7.2	9.4	3.7	4.5	3.1
1973	19.0	21.6	16.4	20.8	23.8	17.9	8.1	7.2	9.0	5.7	6.7	4.8
1974	20.7	23.9	17.6	23.2	26.7	19.7	7.9	8.7	7.2	5.5	4.9	6.0
1975	21.9	25.2	18.7	23.8	27.3	20.2	10.5	11.1	10.0	8.8	10.4	7.3
1976	23.7	27.5	20.1	25.7	29.8	21.6	13.0	12.0	13.9	7.3	10.3	4.7
1977	24.0	27.0	21.1	26.4	29.7	23.1	12.6	12.8	12.5	6.7	7.1	6.3
1978	23.3	26.0	20.6	25.6	28.9	22.3	11.8	10.7	12.6	9.6	9.6	9.7
1979	23.1	25.8	20.5	25.5	28.4	22.6	12.4	13.2	11.8	7.3	7.9	6.8
1980	22.5	24.0	21.0	25.0	26.8	23.2	11.6	10.5	12.4	7.7	8.4	6.9
1981	21.3	23.1	19.6	23.6	25.5	21.7	11.6	12.1	11.1	7.5	8.6	6.5
1982	21.7	23.3	20.2	23.8	25.7	21.9	12.6	11.7	13.4	9.7	10.7	8.7
1983	22.5	23.9	21.1	24.5	26.2	22.7	12.9	13.1	12.7	10.4	9.6	11.1
1984	21.9	23.2	20.7	24.1	25.5	22.7	11.7	12.9	10.6	10.6	9.6	11.6
1985	22.2	23.1	21.3	24.4	25.5	23.3	11.6	10.3	12.6	11.1	10.9	11.2
1986	22.4	22.9	21.9	25.2	25.8	24.5	11.8	10.3	13.1	9.0	8.9	9.1
1987	22.0	22.3	21.7	24.6	24.9	24.4	11.5	11.8	11.2	8.7	9.2	8.2
1988	22.7	23.4	21.9	25.1	25.7	24.5	12.0	12.4	11.7	11.3	11.9	10.6
1989	23.4	23.9	22.9	26.3	26.9	25.8	12.6	12.1	13.1	10.1	9.6	10.6
1990	23.2	23.7	22.8	26.4	26.6	26.2	13.4	15.1	11.9	8.1	7.3	9.1
1991	23.2	23.0	23.4	26.7	26.5	26.9	11.0	11.5	10.5	9.2	8.1	10.4
1992	23.6	23.2	24.0	27.2	26.6	27.7	11.0	11.7	10.5	9.5	8.8	10.3
1993	23.7	23.4	23.9	27.2	27.2	27.1	13.3	12.5	13.9	8.3	7.1	9.8
1994	23.3	22.5	24.0	27.1	26.8	27.4	13.6	11.6	15.2	8.0	6.6	9.8
1995	24.7	24.5	24.9	28.8	28.4	29.2	15.4	17.4	13.7	8.9	7.8	10.1
1996	27.1	26.1	28.2	31.6	30.9	32.3	14.6	12.2	16.6	10.0	10.2	9.8
1997	27.8	26.3	29.3	32.6	31.2	34.1	14.2	11.8	16.3	11.0	9.6	12.7
1998	27.3	25.6	29.0	32.3	30.5	34.2	15.8	14.3	17.0	10.4	9.5	11.3
1999	28.2	26.8	29.5	33.6	32.0	35.1	15.0	13.1	16.5	8.9	7.5	10.4
2000	29.1	27.9	30.1	34.0	32.3	35.8	17.8	18.4	17.4	9.7	8.3	11.0
2001	28.6	26.2	31.1	33.0	29.7	36.3	17.8	17.9	17.8	11.1	9.1	13.3
2002	29.3	26.9	31.8	35.9	32.6	39.2	18.0	17.9	18.1	8.9	8.3	9.7
2003	28.4	26.0	30.9	34.2	31.4	37.1	17.5	17.7	17.4	10.0	8.4	12.0

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Table S23. Standard errors for the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed high school, who completed at least some college, and who completed a bachelor's degree or higher, by race/ethnicity: March 1971–2003

Year	High school completers				Some college				Bachelor's degree or higher			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Total	White	Black	Hispanic
1971	0.48	0.49	1.88	4.20	0.55	0.61	1.47	2.98	0.43	0.49	0.96	1.85
1972	0.45	0.46	1.82	4.25	0.54	0.60	1.56	3.06	0.44	0.50	1.05	1.61
1973	0.44	0.44	1.76	2.89	0.53	0.59	1.51	2.15	0.43	0.49	1.00	1.34
1974	0.42	0.42	1.67	2.78	0.53	0.59	1.54	2.28	0.44	0.50	0.97	1.27
1975	0.40	0.40	1.59	2.77	0.52	0.58	1.57	2.30	0.44	0.50	1.07	1.57
1976	0.37	0.37	1.51	2.79	0.51	0.57	1.54	2.31	0.44	0.50	1.16	1.47
1977	0.36	0.36	1.44	2.78	0.51	0.57	1.53	2.40	0.44	0.50	1.10	1.41
1978	0.36	0.36	1.37	2.59	0.51	0.57	1.56	2.25	0.43	0.50	1.06	1.54
1979	0.36	0.35	1.41	2.61	0.50	0.56	1.50	2.28	0.43	0.49	1.07	1.37
1980	0.34	0.34	1.29	2.41	0.49	0.55	1.43	2.06	0.41	0.47	0.98	1.30
1981	0.33	0.33	1.25	2.31	0.48	0.54	1.41	2.00	0.40	0.46	0.96	1.24
1982	0.35	0.35	1.22	2.36	0.50	0.56	1.51	2.07	0.42	0.48	1.04	1.43
1983	0.35	0.35	1.24	2.40	0.49	0.56	1.44	2.11	0.42	0.48	1.03	1.49
1984	0.34	0.34	1.23	2.33	0.49	0.56	1.41	2.09	0.41	0.48	0.97	1.46
1985	0.34	0.34	1.18	1.81	0.49	0.56	1.42	1.64	0.41	0.48	0.96	1.16
1986	0.34	0.34	1.10	1.73	0.48	0.56	1.43	1.53	0.41	0.49	0.96	1.01
1987	0.34	0.34	1.10	1.70	0.48	0.56	1.42	1.53	0.40	0.48	0.94	0.98
1988	0.34	0.34	1.16	1.63	0.48	0.56	1.39	1.51	0.41	0.49	0.96	1.07
1989	0.38	0.38	1.22	1.79	0.53	0.62	1.52	1.63	0.45	0.55	1.07	1.10
1990	0.36	0.35	1.18	1.67	0.51	0.59	1.46	1.43	0.43	0.52	1.04	0.93
1991	0.36	0.36	1.17	1.69	0.51	0.60	1.45	1.46	0.43	0.53	0.95	0.99
1992	0.36	0.36	1.21	1.67	0.52	0.61	1.48	1.54	0.44	0.54	0.97	1.00
1993	0.36	0.35	1.17	1.64	0.53	0.62	1.52	1.54	0.45	0.56	1.05	0.93
1994	0.37	0.36	1.13	1.51	0.53	0.63	1.53	1.43	0.45	0.56	1.06	0.84
1995	0.36	0.34	1.05	1.09	0.53	0.63	1.54	0.99	0.46	0.58	1.11	0.63
1996	0.37	0.35	1.13	1.56	0.55	0.65	1.62	1.48	0.49	0.62	1.15	0.96
1997	0.37	0.35	1.10	1.51	0.55	0.65	1.63	1.47	0.50	0.64	1.14	0.97
1998	0.36	0.34	1.05	1.50	0.55	0.66	1.62	1.45	0.50	0.64	1.18	0.95
1999	0.37	0.35	1.03	1.53	0.56	0.67	1.63	1.46	0.51	0.66	1.16	0.90
2000	0.37	0.33	1.13	1.49	0.56	0.68	1.67	1.45	0.52	0.67	1.28	0.91
2001	0.27	0.26	0.79	1.07	0.41	0.49	1.18	1.04	0.37	0.48	0.91	0.70
2002	0.28	0.26	0.80	0.95	0.40	0.49	1.21	0.91	0.37	0.50	0.94	0.56
2003	0.27	0.25	0.78	0.92	0.40	0.49	1.22	0.87	0.36	0.49	0.93	0.57

NOTE: Some standard errors are revised from previous publications.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics. (2002). *The Condition of Education 2002* (NCES 2002–025), table S25 and previously unpublished tabulations for 2002–03 (December 2004). Data from U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Current Population Survey (CPS), March Supplement, 1971–2003.

Educational Attainment

Table S23-1. Standard errors for the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed high school, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2003

Year	Total			White			Black			Hispanic		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	0.48	0.67	0.69	0.49	0.67	0.71	1.88	2.78	2.54	4.20	6.21	5.70
1972	0.45	0.64	0.64	0.46	0.64	0.66	1.82	2.76	2.42	4.25	6.22	5.81
1973	0.44	0.62	0.62	0.44	0.62	0.63	1.76	2.63	2.36	2.89	4.24	3.94
1974	0.42	0.58	0.60	0.42	0.59	0.60	1.67	2.43	2.29	2.78	4.03	3.84
1975	0.40	0.55	0.57	0.40	0.54	0.58	1.59	2.35	2.16	2.77	3.99	3.86
1976	0.37	0.51	0.54	0.37	0.50	0.55	1.51	2.31	2.00	2.79	4.07	3.82
1977	0.36	0.50	0.52	0.36	0.50	0.52	1.44	2.06	2.00	2.78	4.00	3.84
1978	0.36	0.50	0.52	0.36	0.51	0.52	1.37	2.02	1.87	2.59	3.72	3.61
1979	0.36	0.50	0.51	0.35	0.48	0.51	1.41	2.13	1.87	2.61	3.81	3.57
1980	0.34	0.49	0.48	0.34	0.48	0.48	1.29	1.97	1.71	2.41	3.45	3.38
1981	0.33	0.47	0.47	0.33	0.47	0.46	1.25	1.82	1.72	2.31	3.36	3.18
1982	0.35	0.49	0.49	0.35	0.50	0.50	1.22	1.83	1.64	2.36	3.43	3.26
1983	0.35	0.49	0.49	0.35	0.49	0.49	1.24	1.84	1.67	2.40	3.44	3.36
1984	0.34	0.49	0.48	0.34	0.48	0.49	1.23	1.90	1.59	2.33	3.36	3.23
1985	0.34	0.49	0.47	0.34	0.49	0.48	1.18	1.75	1.61	1.81	2.62	2.48
1986	0.34	0.48	0.47	0.34	0.50	0.47	1.10	1.49	1.59	1.73	2.44	2.44
1987	0.34	0.49	0.47	0.34	0.50	0.48	1.10	1.59	1.52	1.70	2.39	2.40
1988	0.34	0.50	0.46	0.34	0.51	0.46	1.16	1.72	1.58	1.63	2.29	2.32
1989	0.38	0.55	0.51	0.38	0.57	0.51	1.22	1.87	1.61	1.79	2.47	2.59
1990	0.36	0.52	0.48	0.35	0.53	0.46	1.18	1.75	1.59	1.67	2.32	2.40
1991	0.36	0.52	0.51	0.36	0.53	0.50	1.17	1.65	1.66	1.69	2.34	2.45
1992	0.36	0.51	0.50	0.36	0.51	0.49	1.21	1.71	1.71	1.67	2.27	2.44
1993	0.36	0.52	0.50	0.35	0.52	0.48	1.17	1.64	1.66	1.64	2.25	2.39
1994	0.37	0.54	0.49	0.36	0.54	0.48	1.13	1.75	1.48	1.51	2.05	2.22
1995	0.36	0.52	0.50	0.34	0.49	0.46	1.05	1.46	1.48	1.09	1.51	1.56
1996	0.37	0.53	0.51	0.35	0.51	0.48	1.13	1.58	1.59	1.56	2.10	2.34
1997	0.37	0.55	0.49	0.35	0.53	0.45	1.10	1.69	1.44	1.51	2.08	2.19
1998	0.36	0.54	0.48	0.34	0.51	0.44	1.05	1.54	1.42	1.50	2.07	2.16
1999	0.37	0.56	0.49	0.35	0.54	0.46	1.03	1.58	1.35	1.53	2.18	2.13
2000	0.37	0.55	0.49	0.33	0.51	0.43	1.13	1.67	1.54	1.49	2.14	2.06
2001	0.27	0.40	0.37	0.26	0.37	0.35	0.79	1.17	1.08	1.07	1.52	1.49
2002	0.28	0.41	0.37	0.26	0.40	0.35	0.80	1.27	1.02	0.95	1.30	1.39
2003	0.27	0.41	0.37	0.25	0.38	0.33	0.78	1.21	1.01	0.92	1.25	1.35

NOTE: Some standard errors are revised from previous publications.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics. (2002). *The Condition of Education 2002* (NCES 2002–025), table S25–1 and previously unpublished tabulations for 2002–03 (December 2004). Data from U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Current Population Survey (CPS), March Supplement, 1971–2003.

Educational Attainment

Table S23-2. Standard errors for the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed at least some college, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2003

Year	Total			White			Black			Hispanic		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	0.55	0.80	0.74	0.61	0.88	0.83	1.47	2.09	2.06	2.98	4.94	3.51
1972	0.54	0.79	0.73	0.60	0.86	0.82	1.56	2.25	2.15	3.06	4.72	3.97
1973	0.53	0.77	0.71	0.59	0.85	0.81	1.51	2.23	2.04	2.15	3.49	2.60
1974	0.53	0.77	0.72	0.59	0.84	0.82	1.54	2.37	2.02	2.28	3.50	2.97
1975	0.52	0.75	0.71	0.58	0.83	0.80	1.57	2.40	2.06	2.30	3.51	2.95
1976	0.51	0.74	0.70	0.57	0.80	0.79	1.54	2.37	2.02	2.31	3.54	3.00
1977	0.51	0.73	0.71	0.57	0.80	0.79	1.53	2.34	2.01	2.40	3.64	3.17
1978	0.51	0.73	0.71	0.57	0.80	0.80	1.56	2.36	2.08	2.25	3.37	3.00
1979	0.50	0.72	0.70	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.50	2.22	2.02	2.28	3.45	3.02
1980	0.49	0.69	0.68	0.55	0.77	0.77	1.43	2.12	1.94	2.06	3.05	2.77
1981	0.48	0.68	0.67	0.54	0.77	0.76	1.41	2.11	1.90	2.00	2.95	2.73
1982	0.50	0.71	0.70	0.56	0.80	0.80	1.51	2.25	2.03	2.07	3.02	2.84
1983	0.49	0.70	0.69	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.44	2.13	1.96	2.11	2.96	3.01
1984	0.49	0.69	0.69	0.56	0.78	0.79	1.41	2.06	1.94	2.09	3.01	2.91
1985	0.49	0.70	0.69	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.42	2.10	1.93	1.64	2.36	2.28
1986	0.48	0.69	0.68	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.43	2.09	1.95	1.53	2.14	2.18
1987	0.48	0.69	0.68	0.56	0.79	0.79	1.42	2.05	1.95	1.53	2.16	2.17
1988	0.48	0.69	0.68	0.56	0.80	0.79	1.39	2.07	1.87	1.51	2.06	2.22
1989	0.53	0.75	0.74	0.62	0.87	0.87	1.52	2.24	2.08	1.63	2.26	2.35
1990	0.51	0.72	0.71	0.59	0.84	0.84	1.46	2.15	2.00	1.43	1.96	2.09
1991	0.51	0.72	0.72	0.60	0.85	0.85	1.45	2.08	2.02	1.46	1.99	2.14
1992	0.52	0.74	0.74	0.61	0.87	0.86	1.48	2.16	2.04	1.54	2.08	2.30
1993	0.53	0.75	0.75	0.62	0.88	0.87	1.52	2.21	2.09	1.54	2.03	2.34
1994	0.53	0.75	0.74	0.63	0.90	0.88	1.53	2.27	2.07	1.43	1.87	2.19
1995	0.53	0.75	0.75	0.63	0.89	0.88	1.54	2.27	2.08	0.99	1.35	1.47
1996	0.55	0.78	0.77	0.65	0.93	0.91	1.62	2.42	2.19	1.48	1.92	2.31
1997	0.55	0.78	0.77	0.65	0.93	0.91	1.63	2.40	2.20	1.47	1.95	2.20
1998	0.55	0.79	0.77	0.66	0.95	0.91	1.62	2.40	2.20	1.45	1.92	2.20
1999	0.56	0.80	0.77	0.67	0.96	0.92	1.63	2.44	2.16	1.46	1.97	2.15
2000	0.56	0.81	0.78	0.68	0.98	0.93	1.67	2.53	2.22	1.45	1.98	2.10
2001	0.41	0.58	0.56	0.49	0.71	0.67	1.18	1.76	1.59	1.04	1.39	1.53
2002	0.40	0.57	0.56	0.49	0.71	0.67	1.21	1.83	1.62	0.91	1.20	1.38
2003	0.40	0.57	0.55	0.49	0.72	0.68	1.22	1.82	1.64	0.87	1.14	1.34

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Table S23-3. Standard errors for the percentage of 25- to 29-year-olds who completed a bachelor's degree or higher, by race/ethnicity and sex: March 1971–2003

Year	Total			White			Black			Hispanic		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1971	0.43	0.66	0.56	0.49	0.75	0.64	0.96	1.43	1.29	1.85	3.38	1.81
1972	0.44	0.66	0.58	0.50	0.74	0.66	1.05	1.46	1.49	1.61	2.59	2.01
1973	0.43	0.64	0.57	0.49	0.73	0.65	1.00	1.40	1.41	1.34	2.13	1.69
1974	0.44	0.66	0.58	0.50	0.75	0.67	0.97	1.52	1.25	1.27	1.75	1.83
1975	0.44	0.65	0.58	0.50	0.74	0.66	1.07	1.65	1.41	1.57	2.44	2.01
1976	0.44	0.66	0.58	0.50	0.74	0.66	1.16	1.69	1.59	1.47	2.50	1.65
1977	0.44	0.65	0.59	0.50	0.73	0.68	1.10	1.65	1.47	1.41	2.11	1.88
1978	0.43	0.64	0.58	0.50	0.73	0.67	1.06	1.53	1.46	1.54	2.22	2.15
1979	0.43	0.63	0.57	0.49	0.72	0.66	1.07	1.64	1.40	1.37	2.07	1.82
1980	0.41	0.59	0.56	0.47	0.69	0.65	0.98	1.39	1.36	1.30	1.94	1.74
1981	0.40	0.58	0.54	0.46	0.67	0.63	0.96	1.45	1.28	1.24	1.92	1.61
1982	0.42	0.61	0.57	0.48	0.70	0.66	1.04	1.49	1.44	1.43	2.17	1.89
1983	0.42	0.60	0.57	0.48	0.70	0.67	1.03	1.53	1.39	1.49	2.05	2.14
1984	0.41	0.59	0.56	0.48	0.69	0.66	0.97	1.49	1.26	1.46	2.00	2.11
1985	0.41	0.59	0.57	0.48	0.69	0.67	0.96	1.35	1.35	1.16	1.66	1.62
1986	0.41	0.58	0.57	0.49	0.69	0.68	0.96	1.32	1.37	1.01	1.41	1.43
1987	0.40	0.58	0.56	0.48	0.69	0.68	0.94	1.42	1.27	0.98	1.40	1.35
1988	0.41	0.59	0.57	0.49	0.70	0.69	0.96	1.43	1.29	1.07	1.51	1.50
1989	0.45	0.64	0.63	0.55	0.78	0.77	1.07	1.54	1.47	1.10	1.50	1.63
1990	0.43	0.61	0.60	0.52	0.74	0.74	1.04	1.61	1.34	0.93	1.22	1.41
1991	0.43	0.61	0.61	0.53	0.75	0.75	0.95	1.42	1.27	0.99	1.29	1.51
1992	0.44	0.62	0.63	0.54	0.77	0.77	0.97	1.46	1.29	1.00	1.32	1.52
1993	0.45	0.63	0.64	0.56	0.79	0.78	1.05	1.51	1.46	0.93	1.17	1.48
1994	0.45	0.63	0.64	0.56	0.80	0.80	1.06	1.48	1.50	0.84	1.03	1.37
1995	0.46	0.65	0.65	0.58	0.81	0.82	1.11	1.73	1.44	0.63	0.81	0.96
1996	0.49	0.69	0.70	0.62	0.88	0.88	1.15	1.59	1.63	0.96	1.30	1.44
1997	0.50	0.69	0.71	0.64	0.89	0.91	1.14	1.56	1.63	0.97	1.25	1.53
1998	0.50	0.69	0.72	0.64	0.90	0.92	1.18	1.68	1.65	0.95	1.24	1.45
1999	0.51	0.71	0.72	0.66	0.92	0.94	1.16	1.65	1.62	0.90	1.16	1.37
2000	0.52	0.73	0.73	0.67	0.94	0.96	1.28	1.96	1.69	0.91	1.20	1.37
2001	0.37	0.51	0.54	0.48	0.67	0.70	0.91	1.36	1.22	0.70	0.89	1.08
2002	0.37	0.51	0.53	0.50	0.69	0.71	0.94	1.40	1.26	0.56	0.73	0.86
2003	0.36	0.50	0.53	0.49	0.68	0.71	0.93	1.39	1.25	0.57	0.71	0.91

NOTE: Some standard errors are revised from previous publications.

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